ED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARI In re Patent Application of Atty Dkt. 620-125 C# M# SCHULŽE-LEFERT et al Group Art Unit: 1638 Serial No. 09/722,377 Examiner: Ibrahim, M.A. November 28, 2000, Filed: Date: July 8, 2002 POLYNUCLEOTIDE AND ITS USE FOR MODULATING A DEFENCE RESPONSE RECEIVED Title: IN PLANTS **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** JUL 1 1 2002 Washington, DC 20231

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment 0 minus highest number		
previously paid for 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$ 18.00	\$	0.00
Independent claims after amendment 0 minus highest number previously paid for 3 (at least 3) = 0 x \$ 84.00	\$	0.00
If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper)	\$	0.00
Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months)	\$	0.00
Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00	\$	0.00
First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$740.00) Please enter the previously unentered , filed Submission attached	\$	0.00
Subtotal	\$	0.00
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Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00)	\$	0.00
Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)	\$	0.00

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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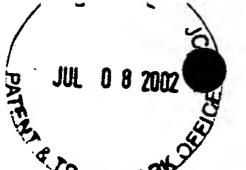
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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2002, in the above.

In response to the Examiner's requirement for restriction, Applicants elect the subject matter of Group I (claims 74-85) for prosecution in this application. As regards the Examiner's further requirement for election of one of (A) or (B), Applicants elect (A) (SEQ ID NO:1 or a sequence encoding SEQ ID NO:2).

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An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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